

REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of all grounds of rejection in the Office Action, and allowance of the application are respectfully requested. Claims 1-7 remain pending in this application. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested for the reasons indicated herein below.

Summary of the Rejections:

(1) Claims 1 and 3 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Spock et al, (U.S. 6,388,805, hereafter "Spock").

(2) Claims 2 and 4, stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Spock in view of Uno et al. (JP 6-342052, hereafter "Uno").

(3) Claim 5-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Uno in view of Spock.

Applicants' Traversal:


Applicants have concurrently submitted herewith, an Affidavit under 37 CFR §1.131 that antedates the Mar. 28, 2001 filing date of the Spock reference. As Applicants Foreign filing merely exceeded the March 28, 2001 date by a few days, Applicants have provided evidence along with the Affidavit, including pertinent pages of an inventor's notebook, and a letter from Samsung to the outside patent counsel to prepare a patent application that includes a copy of the materials describing the invention.

Thus, for the above reason, Spock is no longer a valid reference under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and should no longer be combined with Uno in the combination rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), meaning that all of the claims should be immediate condition for allowance.

For all the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance as soon as possible.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to kindly contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below. If there are any fees due and owing, please charge Deposit Account No. 502-470.

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